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**DIV. OF OIL, GAS & MINING**

Paul Baker, Minerals Program Manager  
Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining  
1594 West North Temple  
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Re: Contract for the Sale of Mineral Materials for UTU-079870

Dear Mr. Baker:

As program lead for the Mining Law Administration Program and Abandoned Mine Reclamation Program for the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) in the Utah State Office, I am writing to advise you that the BLM desires that the above referenced mining site be reclaimed in accordance with the State of Utah, Small Mine Reclamation Contract for S/027/111. The bond provided to the State of Utah, Department of Natural Resources, Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, Small Mine Reclamation Contract was the only bond held for this operation.

Section 8 of the Contract for the Sale of Mineral Materials, included a bond in the amount of \$11,635 as calculated by the BLM. It is the BLM's position that this bond was and is for reclamation of the site. Section 14 of the Contract for the Sale of Mineral Materials for UTU-079870, states "Any property remaining after this period ends becomes the property of the United States, but you will remain liable for the cost of removing it and restoring the site." The BLM's position is that restoring the site is reclamation of the site.

I have reviewed the BLM reclamation cost estimate, the Categorical Exclusion (CX) for UTU-079870, and the Contract for the Sale of Mineral Materials for UTU-079870 purchased by Grandstone in the amount of \$14,400 and signed by Alan Newman. The location of the site is Township 19 South, Range 18 West, Section 31, S $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ . The per unit purchase price of \$1.20 per ton did not include a reclamation fee because a separate reclamation cost estimate was prepared and a bond in that amount was required. The CX indicates that reclamation was part of the proposed operation and would be performed by Alan Newman, owner and operator of Grandstone.

Please contact me at (801)539-4026, if the Division has any questions regarding the BLM's expectations as set forth above.

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